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TRANSMITTAL OF DECLARATION OF CHRISTER HULTQUIST, M.D.

In response to the action mailed July 30, 2002, and further to Applicants' response filed December 2, 2002, Applicants submit the following remarks and attached Declaration.

REMARKS

Supplemental to the response filed on December 2, 2002, Applicants submit the attached Declaration of Christer Hultquist, M.D. In this declaration, Dr. Hultquist discusses the data that was introduced in Applicants' response. As explained in the Declaration, Dr. Hultquist was involved in conducting the trial that generated this data.

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DECLARATION OF CHRISTER HULTQUIST, M.D.

- I, Christer Hultquist, M.D., declare as follows:
- 1. I am a physician with a Specialty in Pediatrics (1981) and in Pediatric Allergology (1982). From 1981 to 1991 I was Senior Registrar at the Pediatric unit at the University Hospital in Lund, Sweden, attending children with cystic fibrosis, asthma and related allergic disorders. Since 1991 I have been a Medical Advisor at Astra AB (now AstraZeneca AB), and at present I am serving as the Clinical Development Medical Director for Symbicort® asthma medication (an inhalable medication containing a combination of budesonide and formoterol) at AstraZeneca AB.
- 2. I was involved in conducting a placebo-controlled 12 month clinical trial that was recently performed using a combination of budesonide/formoterol (under the product name Symbicort®) in the treatment of moderate to severe COPD. 1022 patients were treated in a 2 week initial period with oral prednisolone (30 mg once daily) and formoterol (2 x 4.5 µg twice daily). The patients had the following profile:

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Age \geq 40 years

COPD patient for at least 2 years

At least 10 pack years smoking history

Documented use of inhaled bronchodilators as a quick relief medicine

At least one severe COPD exacerbation within 2-12 months of entry

FEV₁ ≤ 50% predicted normal, pre-bronchodilator

FEV₁/VC ≤ 70% pre-bronchodilator

(FEV₁ = Forced Expiratory Volume within 1 second, VC = vital capacity)

The patients were-randomized into four groups and treated as follows:

Group 1: Budesonide/formoterol combination (Symbicort® inhaler) at a dosage of 2 puffs, each puff containing 160 µg budesonide/4.5 µg formoterol) twice per day

Group 2: Budesonide alone (2 puffs, each containing 200 µg budesonide (metered dosc, equivalent to the 160 µg dose in the Symbicort® inhaler), twice daily)

Group 3: Formoterol alone (2 puffs, each containing 4.5 µg formoterol, twice daily)

Group 4: Inhaled a placebo composition (2 puffs, twice daily, no active ingredients)

The patients were studied for 12 months, with various measures of COPD symptoms being regularly recorded.

3. The results of this study showed a synergistic effect from the combination of budesonide and formoterol.

For example, as shown in the graph titled "Symbicort Reduces No. of Severe Exacerbations/Patient/Year" (Appendix 1, submitted herewith), as compared to the placebo (Group 4), treatment with formoterol alone (Group 3) increased the number of exacerbations slightly (+3%), and treatment with budesonide alone (Group 2) decreased the number of exacerbations by 12%. Thus, it would be expected that the additive effect of the

As understood in the art, "10 pack years" indicates that the individual smoked a pack a day for 10 years, or 2 packs a day for 5 years, etc.

² Severe exacerbations were considered to be exacerbations requiring medical intervention, i.e., administration of antibiotics and/or oral steroids, and/or hospitalization due to respiratory symptoms.

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budesonide/formoterol combination would be a 9% reduction in exacerbations. Instead, Group 1, treated with the budesonide/formoterol combination, exhibited a 24% reduction in exacerbations.

4. A synergistic effect was also observed in the morning peak expiratory volume (PEF) of the patients, as shown in the graph titled "Symbicort Improves Morning PEF" (Appendix 2, submitted herewith). The difference in adjusted mean change of morning PEF, as compared to the placebo, was 3.5 L/min for the patients treated with budesonide alone, 11.1 L/min for those treated with formoterol alone (p<0.001), and 18.3 L/min for the patients treated with the budesonide/formoterol combination, i.e., 3.7 L/min higher than the additive result that would have been expected.

5. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

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1977 fully qualified physician

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Member of the Staff and Senior Registrar, Department of Pediatrics, University of Lund, 1981-1991.

Medical Adviser, Astra Draco AB, Lund, 1991-99.

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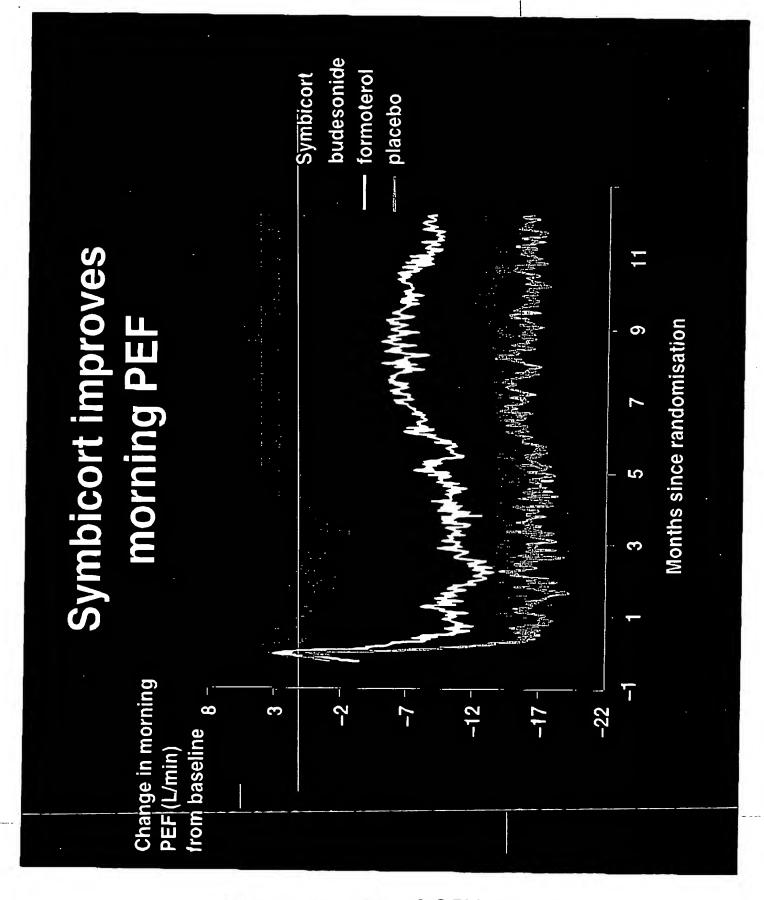
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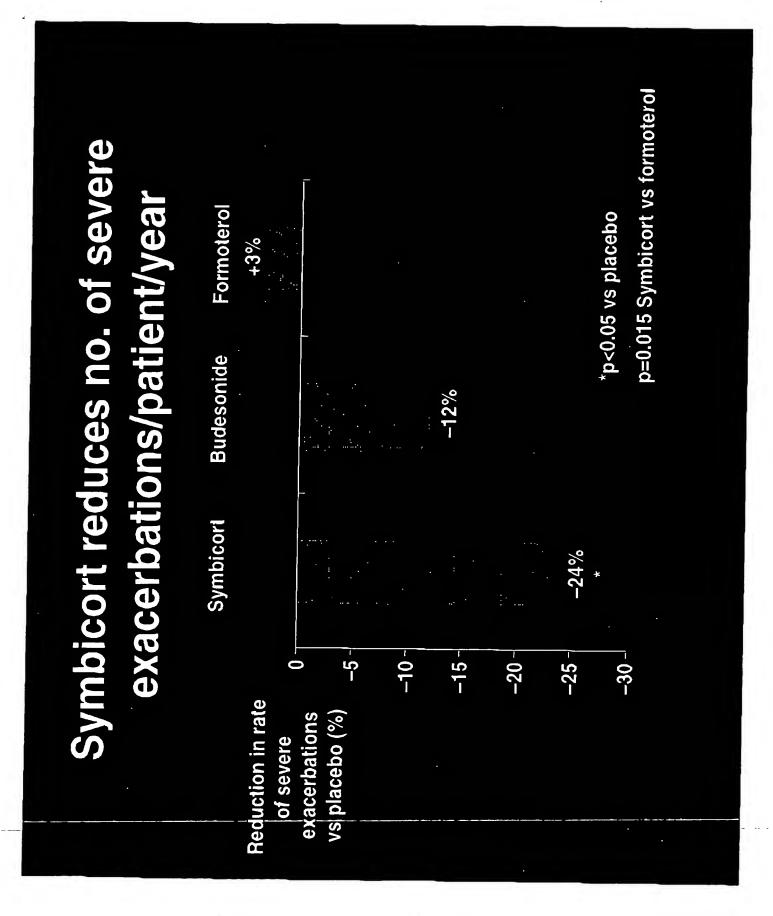
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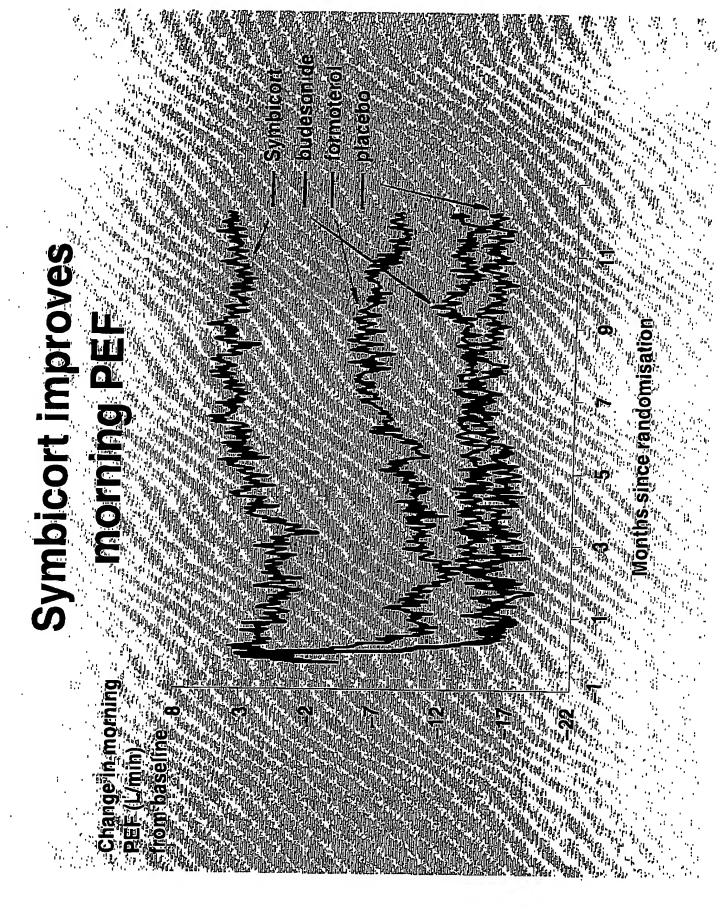
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Here is the transmittal to fax with the Declaration of Christer Hultquist for the above case (the one you faxed me on Weds.). Please have Janis sign, if she is available, otherwise Tim French. Please file this today by fax, and let me know when it is all set. Thanks!!



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